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Col. Took Seni Wong*, of the Thai Central Peace Maintenance Corps, states that the Chinese 93 Division in the Yunnan area, north of Chiengrai, consists of approximately 10,000 soldiers**. Took classifies the 93 Division as an independent force, neither Nationalist nor Communist. The troops live off the land, growing poppies and other products.

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* Comment. [redacted] dated April 1949, reports Took as the official spokesman of the Thai Ministry of Defense.

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** [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] dated 3 June 1949, states that a nucleus of the 93 Division still exists, with a portion in Bangkok area, although this unit is now largely disarmed. Col. CHOU Hsiang-shu, former Chinese Military Attache in Bangkok, apparently retains some control over this group. [REDACTED] For details on the equipment of Yunnan troops by LUNG Yun, former governor of Yunnan.

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